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SUBJECT: OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, DAY VI, BITS AND PIECES

1. COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (COM) COMPLETED DISCUSSION OF SENEGALESE PROPOSAL ON EXPULSIONS IN AFRICA JULY 12. OAU SPOKESMAN ONU SAID THAT COM GENERALLY AGREED THAT NEED FOR AN AFRICAN CONVENTION TO REGULATE EXPULSION OF AFRICAN ALIENS WAS HUMANITARIAN QUESTIONINVOLVING HUMAN RIGHTS. IT WAS AGREED THAT PROPOSAL SHOULD BE STUDIED BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LEGAL EXPERTS WHO WOULD DRAFT CONVENTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY OAU MEMBER STATES.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION OF WESTERN SAHARA, ONU SAID THAT COM HAS NO MANDATE TO DISCUSS ISSUE AND THEREFORE ALGERIA AND MOZAMBIQUE HAVE REQUESTED THAT ITEM BE INSCRIBED ON HEADS OF STATE AGENDA. ONU THOUGHT THIS

WOULD BE DONE. AS TO ATTENDANCE BY POLISARIO, ONU SAID THAT IF WESTERN SAHARA WAS TO BE DISCUSSED AND PRESENCE OF POLISARIO WAS DEEMED NECESSARY BY OAU, THEN HE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR SUDANESE GOVT TO RECONSIDER ITS CURRENT POSITION OF NOT PERMITTING ENTRY TO POLISARIO

LT BOFFONU SAID THAT REPORT ON COMORO ISLANDS ORIGINALLY ON

AGENDA WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED IN LIGHT OF OAU DECISION TO EXPEL COMOROS DELEGATION. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT CONFERENCE WAS BEHIND SCHEDULE AND THAT MIGHT NECESSITATE EVENING DRAFTING SESSIONS. ONU CONCLUDED HIS BRIEFING BY ANNOUNCING THAT PROPOSALS BY PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CONGO ON MILITARY INTERVENTIONS IN AFRICA AND A PAN-AFRICAN MILITARY FORCE HAD BEEN INTRODUCED BY CONGO FONMIN OBENGA EVENING JULY 12 AND COM WOULD BEGIN DEBATE ON THEM FOLLOWING MORNING.

4. COMMENT: ATMOSPHERE OF COMOROS REMAINED CALM PAST 4 DAYS AND WORK HAS PROCEEDEDAT STEADY, ALBEIT SLOW PACE. HOWEVED, IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN IF CONGOLESE PROPOSALS WILL AROUSE ONCE AGAIN, VOCIFEROUS DEBATE OF OPENING SESSIONS. BERGUS

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